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# Leucemia linfatica cronica: ruolo dei farmaci di nuova generazione

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- **Established indications**
  - 1) trials
  - 2) real life
- **New combinations**

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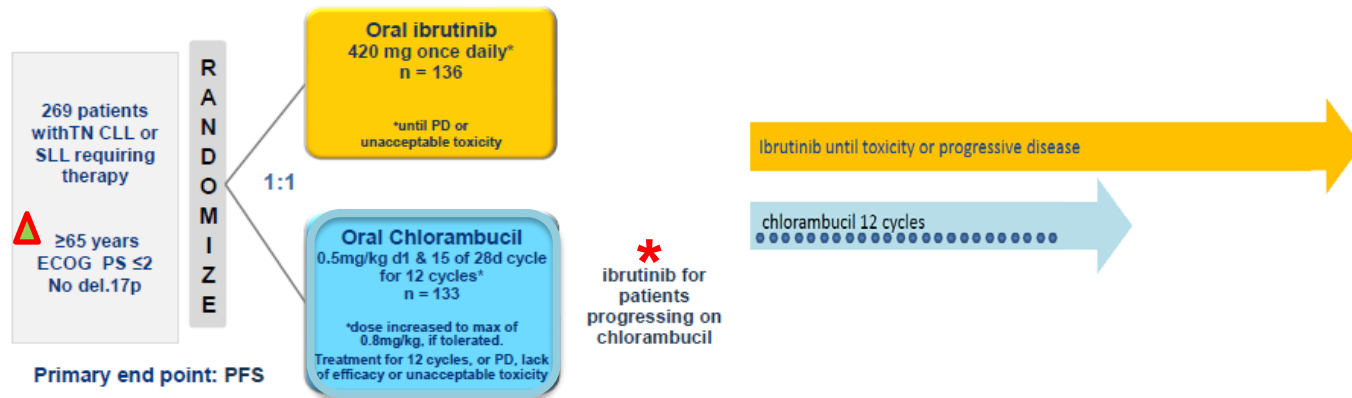
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# EMA indications: BCR and BCL2 inhibitors for patients with CLL

|                                  | Front-line therapy                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Advanced-line therapy                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| del 17p/<br>TP53 mutations       | <p><b>Ibrutinib</b><br/>single agent</p> <p><b>Idelalisib</b><br/>In combination with anti-CD20 mAb in patients not eligible for other therapies</p> <p><b>Veneteclax</b><br/>single agent<br/>In patients unsuitable for a BCR inhibitor</p> | <p><b>Ibrutinib</b><br/>single agent or in combination with BR</p> <p><b>Idelalisib</b><br/>In combination with anti-CD20 mAb</p> <p><b>Veneteclax</b><br/>Single agent in patients unsuitable or who have failed a BCR inhibitor</p> |
| no<br>del 17p/<br>TP53 mutations | <p><b>Ibrutinib</b><br/>single agent</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p><b>Ibrutinib</b><br/>single agent or in combination with BR</p> <p><b>Idelalisib</b><br/>In combination with anti-CD20 mAb</p> <p><b>Veneteclax</b><br/>single agent in patients who failed both CIT and a BCR inhibitor</p>       |

# Phase III RESONATE-2: Frontline Ibrutinib vs Chlorambucil in Elderly Patients With CLL



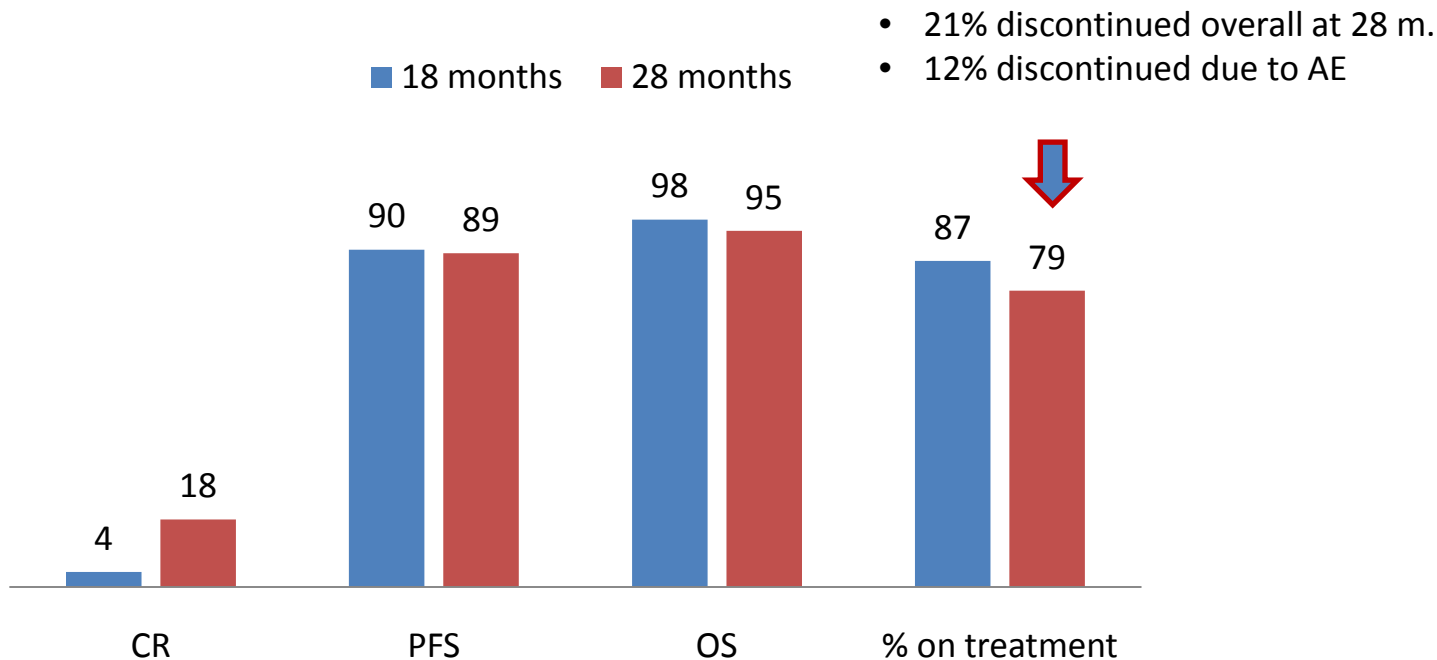
| Baseline Characteristics  |                   |             |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                           | Ibrutinib (N=136) | Chl (N=133) |
| Median age, years (range) | 73 (65-89)        | 72 (65-90)  |
| ≥70 years                 | 96 (71%)          | 93 (70%)    |
| ECOG PS 2                 | 60 (44%)          | 54 (41%)    |
| CIRS >6                   | 42 (31%)          | 44 (33%)    |
| CrCL <60ml/min            | 60 (44%)          | 67 (50%)    |
| CLL                       | 123 (90%)         | 126 (95%)   |
| SLL                       | 13 (10%)          | 7 (5%)      |
| Rai stage III or IV       | 60 (44%)          | 62 (47%)    |
| Bulky disease ≥5cm        | 54 (40%)          | 40 (30%)    |
| Del 11q22.3               | 29 (21%)          | 25 (19%)    |
| Unmutated IGHV            | 58 (43%)          | 60 (45%)    |
| Baseline cytopenias       | 72 (53%)          | 73 (55%)    |

- 69% pts had
- CIRS >6 and/or
  - Cr Cl <70 and/or
  - ECOG 2

| Patient Disposition                          |                    |                |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
|                                              | Ibrutinib (N=136)* | Chl (N=133)*   |
| Medi.duration of follow-up, months           | 18.4               |                |
| Med.duration of treatment (range), months    | 17.4 (0.7-24.7)    | 7.1 (0.5-11.7) |
| Patients completing max.12 CHL cycles        | -                  | 53 (40%)       |
| Patients still on treatment at study closure | 118                | -              |
| Patients on study follow up at study closure | 131                | 114            |
| Patients discontinued treatment              | 17                 | 79             |
| IRC confirmed disease progression            | 2                  | 6              |
| New anticancer therapy                       | 0                  | 4              |
| Progressive disease                          | 0                  | 11             |
| Lack of efficacy                             | 0                  | 21             |
| Unacceptable toxicity/AE/death               | 14                 | 30             |
| Patient decision                             | 1                  | 6              |
| Investigator decision                        | 0                  | 37             |
| Other                                        | 0                  | 1              |

# Efficacy and tolerability of ibrutinib is maintained at 28 months in treatment naive CLL without 17p-

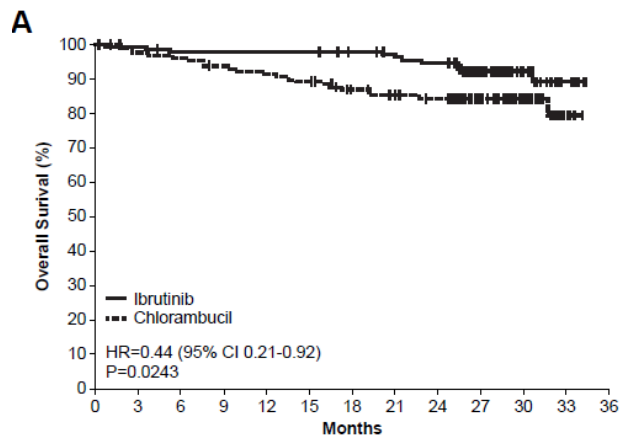
% of patients assessed at 18 and 28 months



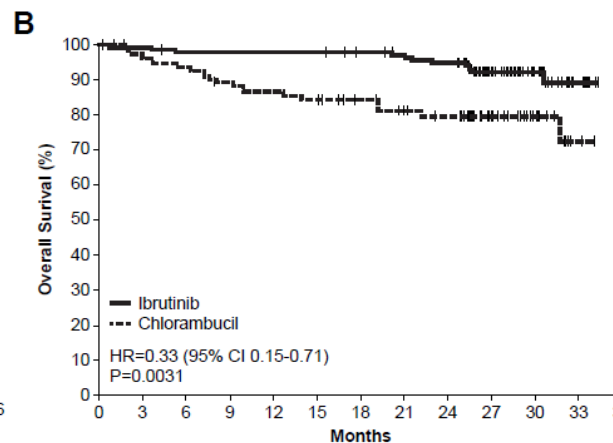
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# Survival adjusting for crossover: phase 3 study of ibrutinib vs chlorambucil in older patients with untreated CLL: median f.u. 28 months

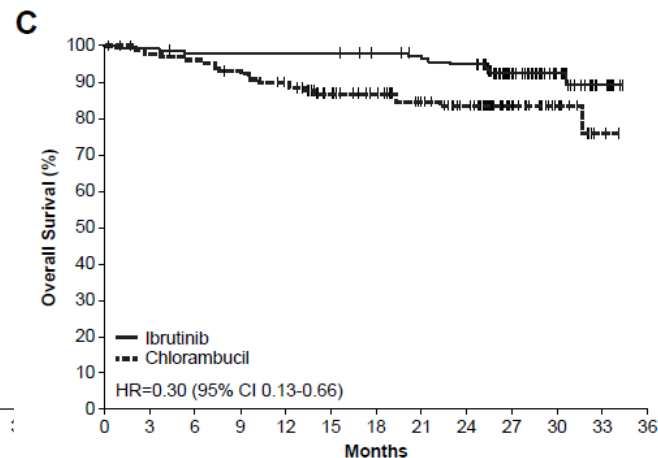
intent-to-treat population



excluding patients who crossed over to ibrutinib



rank-preserving structural failure time method

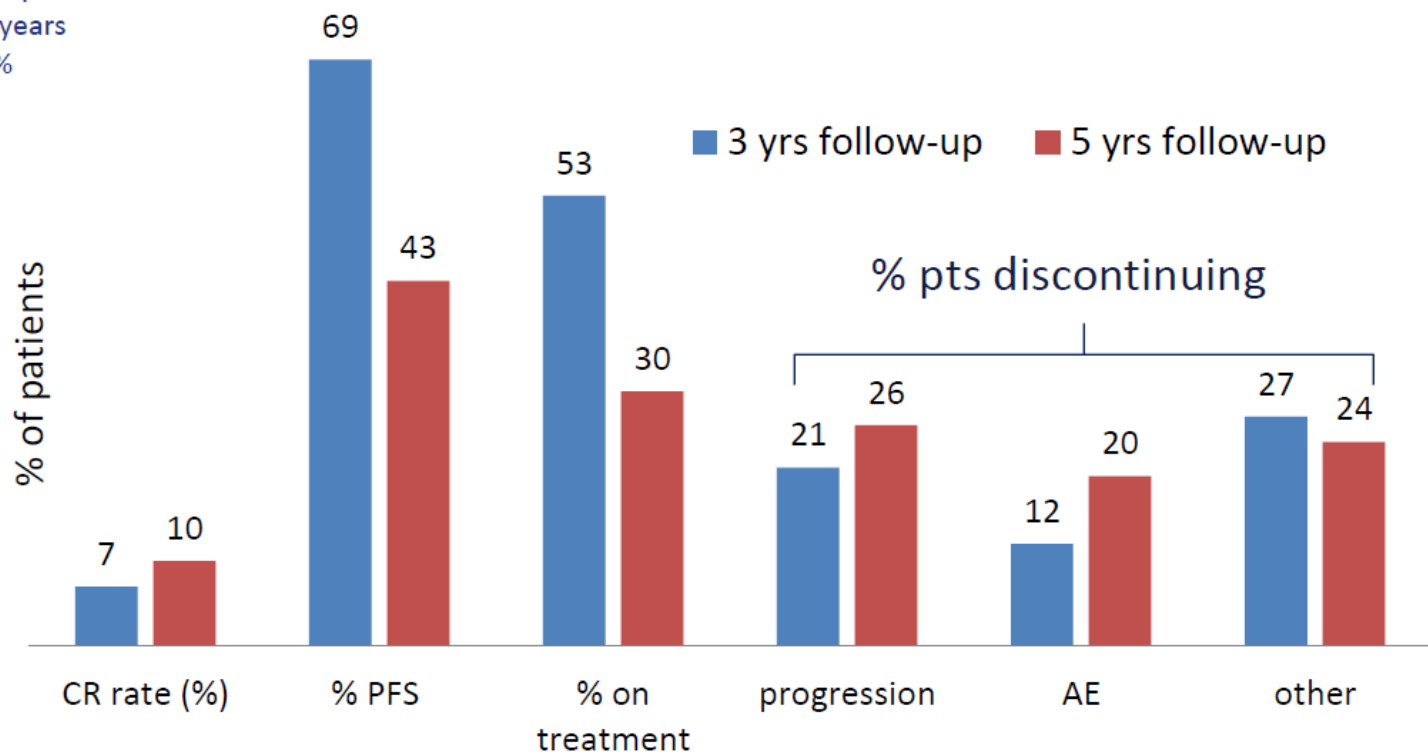


Kaplan-Meier curves of overall survival

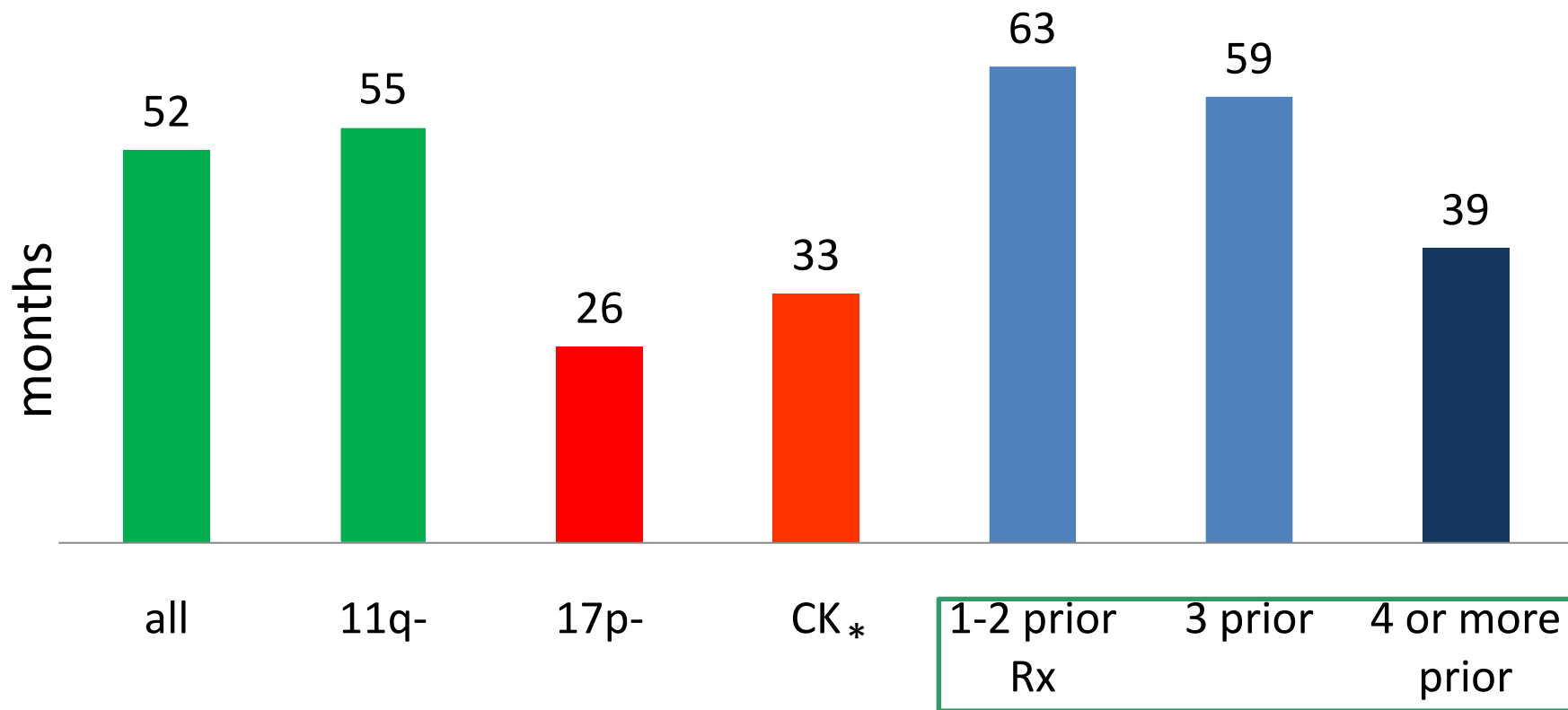
## Experience with Single-Agent Ibrutinib in Patients with Relapsed/Refractory CLL/SLL at Three and Five-Years: *The baseline characteristics are important*

Efficacy and tolerability in 101 Rel/Ref CLL:

- ECOG 0-1: 96% pts
- Median age: 64 years
- $\geq 4$  previous lines: 59%

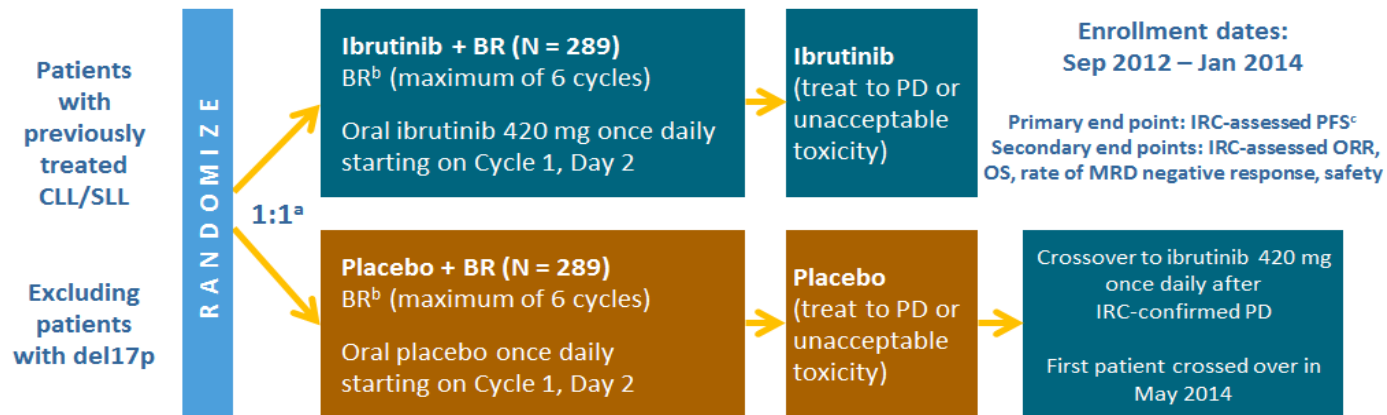


# Median PFS in 101 rel/ref CLL under ibrutinib (5 yr follow-up) by genetics and previous treatment



\*Not reached for non complex karyotype  
Graphical elaboration from O'Brien ASH 2016 abs#233

# Methods: HELIOS Study Design



**Initial data report: Mar 2015**  
**2-year update: Oct 2015**

**We now report the 2-year (25.4 months) follow-up data for:**

- **Survival endpoints**
- **Response endpoints**
- **Minimum residual disease (MRD)**

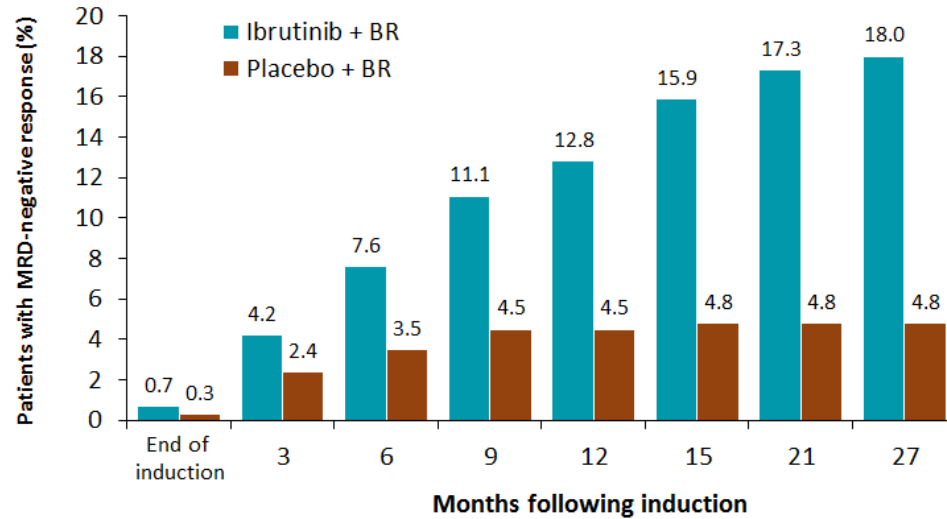
<sup>a</sup>Stratified by purine analogue refractory status (failure to respond or relapse in  $\leq 12$  months) and prior lines of therapy (1 line vs  $> 1$  line).

<sup>b</sup>Similar dosing to Fischer K, et al. *J Clin Oncol.* 2011;29:3559-3566.

<sup>c</sup>According to 2008 iwCLL criteria (Hallek M, et al. *Blood.* 2008;111:5446-5456).

IRC, independent review committee; MRD, minimal residual disease; ORR, overall response rate; OS, overall survival; PD, progressive disease; PFS, progression-free survival.

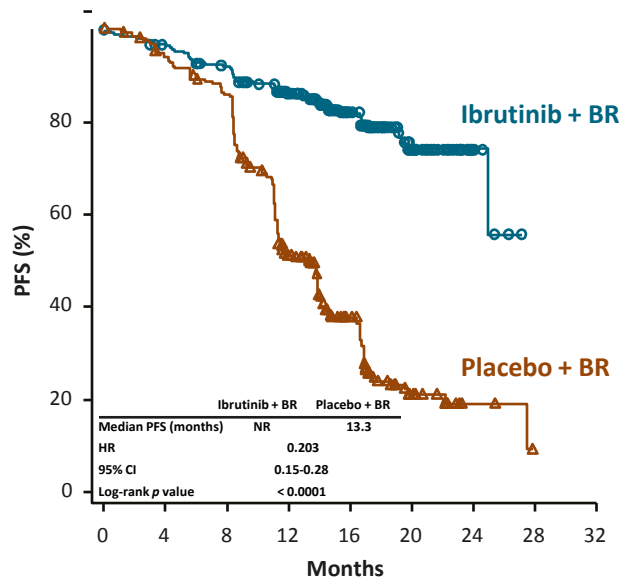
## Results: MRD-Negative Response Over Time



- MRD-negative response continues **to increase over time** for patients treated with ibrutinib + BR

# Results: PFS in the Intent-to-Treat Population

Median follow-up, 17 months  
IRC-assessed

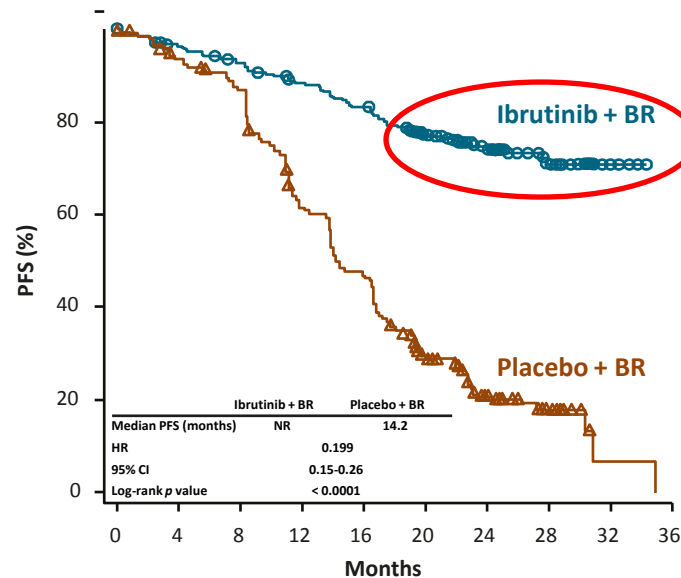


Patients at risk

|                |     |     |     |     |     |    |   |   |   |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|---|---|---|
| Ibrutinib + BR | 289 | 264 | 247 | 200 | 127 | 52 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Placebo + BR   | 289 | 259 | 234 | 117 | 59  | 17 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

Chanan-Khan A, et al. *Lancet Oncol.* 2016;17:200-211.

Median follow-up, 25.4 months  
Investigator-assessed



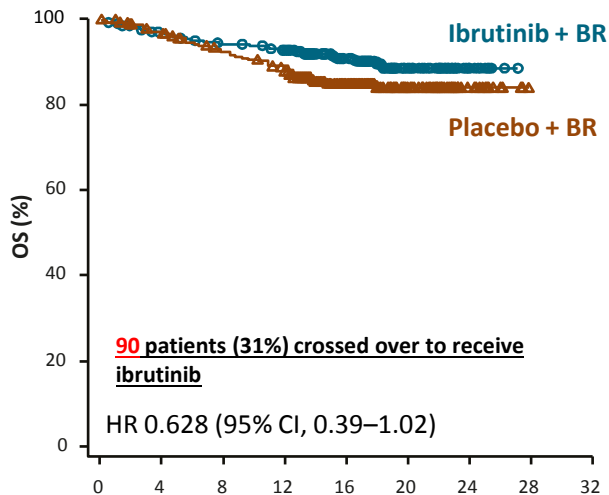
Patients at risk

|                |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |   |   |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|---|---|
| Ibrutinib + BR | 289 | 268 | 256 | 241 | 227 | 174 | 117 | 47 | 6 | 0 |
| Placebo + BR   | 289 | 260 | 237 | 166 | 125 | 65  | 31  | 10 | 1 | 0 |

Fraser et al. EHA 2016: Abstract S430 (Oral Presentation)

# Results: OS in the Intent-to-Treat Population

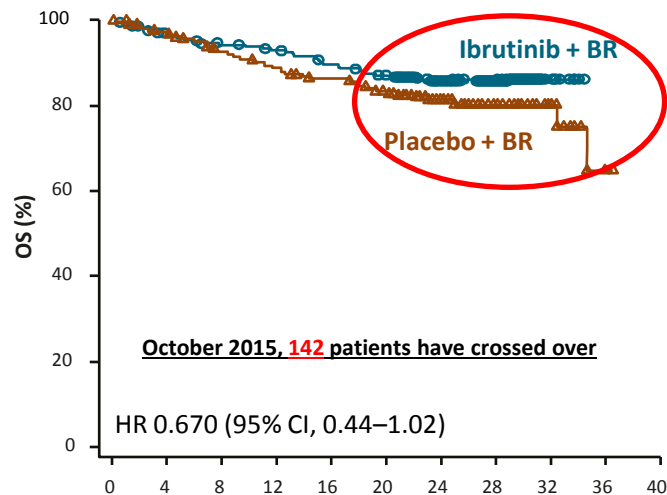
Median follow-up, 17 months



Patients at risk

|                |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |   |   |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|---|
| Ibrutinib + BR | 289 | 273 | 261 | 250 | 147 | 73 | 8  | 0 | 0 |
| Placebo + BR   | 289 | 273 | 255 | 237 | 138 | 70 | 16 | 0 | 0 |

Median follow-up, 25.4 months



Patients at risk

|                |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |   |   |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|---|
| Ibrutinib + BR | 289 | 273 | 261 | 255 | 244 | 233 | 147 | 74 | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| Placebo + BR   | 289 | 273 | 255 | 244 | 234 | 219 | 138 | 71 | 21 | 2 | 0 |

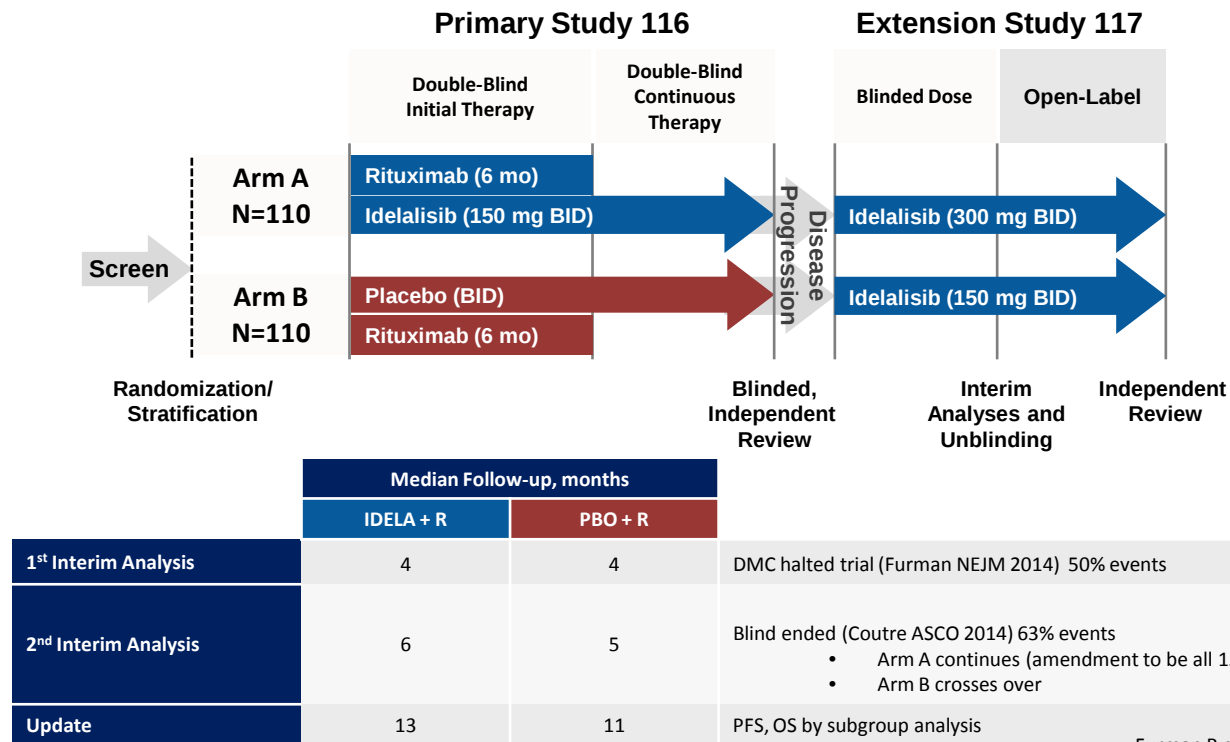
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# Idelalisib and Rituximab in rel/ref

## Population:

Relapsed CLL warranting treatment (iwCLL); progression < 24 mo since last treatment

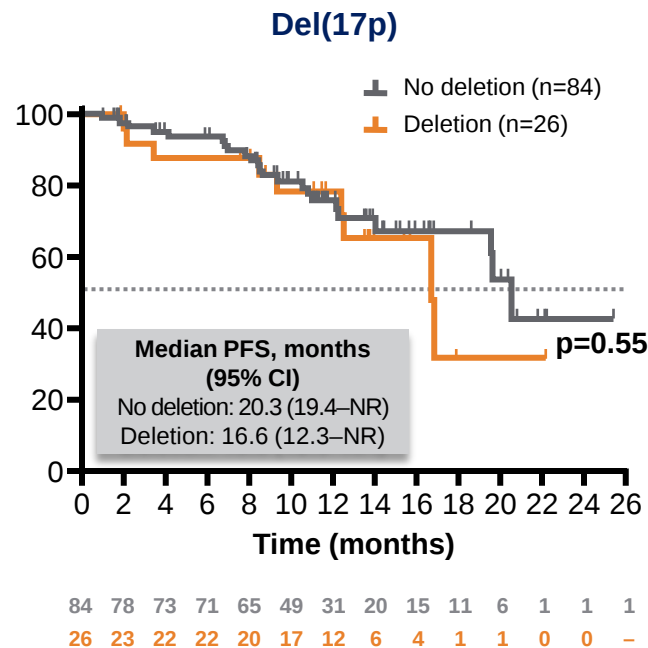
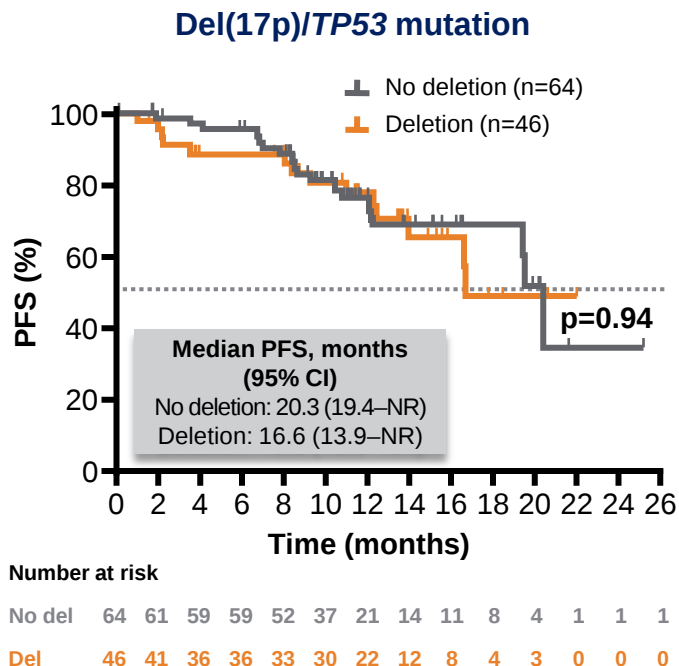


# Patients included in Study 116 were elderly, had a poor performance status and cytopenias

|                                          | Typical relapsed CLL patient | Ibrutinib RESONATE population <sup>3</sup>                                 | Zydelig + R Study 116 population <sup>6</sup>  | Ofatumumab licensing study <sup>4</sup> (FA-ref/BF-ref) |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Trial design                             | Registry                     | Open-label randomised                                                      | Double-blind placebo controlled                | Non-randomised Phase II                                 |
| Median age (years)                       | 72.5 <sup>1a</sup>           | 67                                                                         | 71                                             | 64/62                                                   |
| ECOG PS, 1–3 (%)                         | N/A                          | 59                                                                         | 87                                             | 65                                                      |
| ECOG PS, 2–3 (%)                         | 23.2 <sup>2b</sup>           | 0                                                                          | 28                                             | N/A                                                     |
| del(17p) and/or <i>TP53</i> mutation (%) | 42 <sup>5</sup>              | 33                                                                         | 43                                             | 29/18                                                   |
| Blood count criteria                     | N/A                          | Platelets $\geq 30 \times 10^9/L$<br>Neutrophils $\geq 0.75 \times 10^9/L$ | No restrictions<br>35% Grade 3 or 4 cytopenias | No blood counts or transfusion restrictions             |

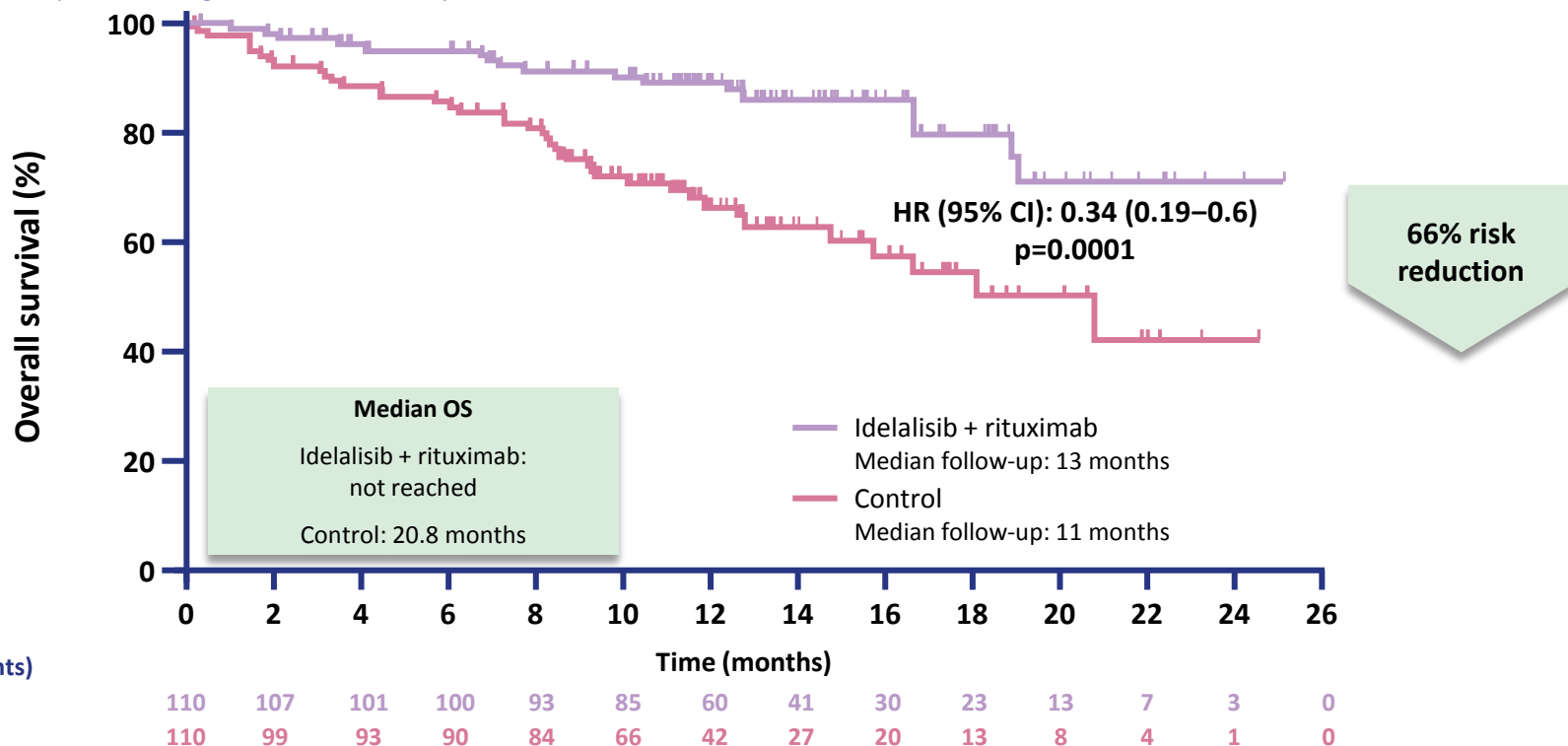
# Del(17p) or *TP53* prognostic factors do not impact on the efficacy of Zydelig + R

Second interim analysis: **median PFS 19,4 months** in the idela + R arm



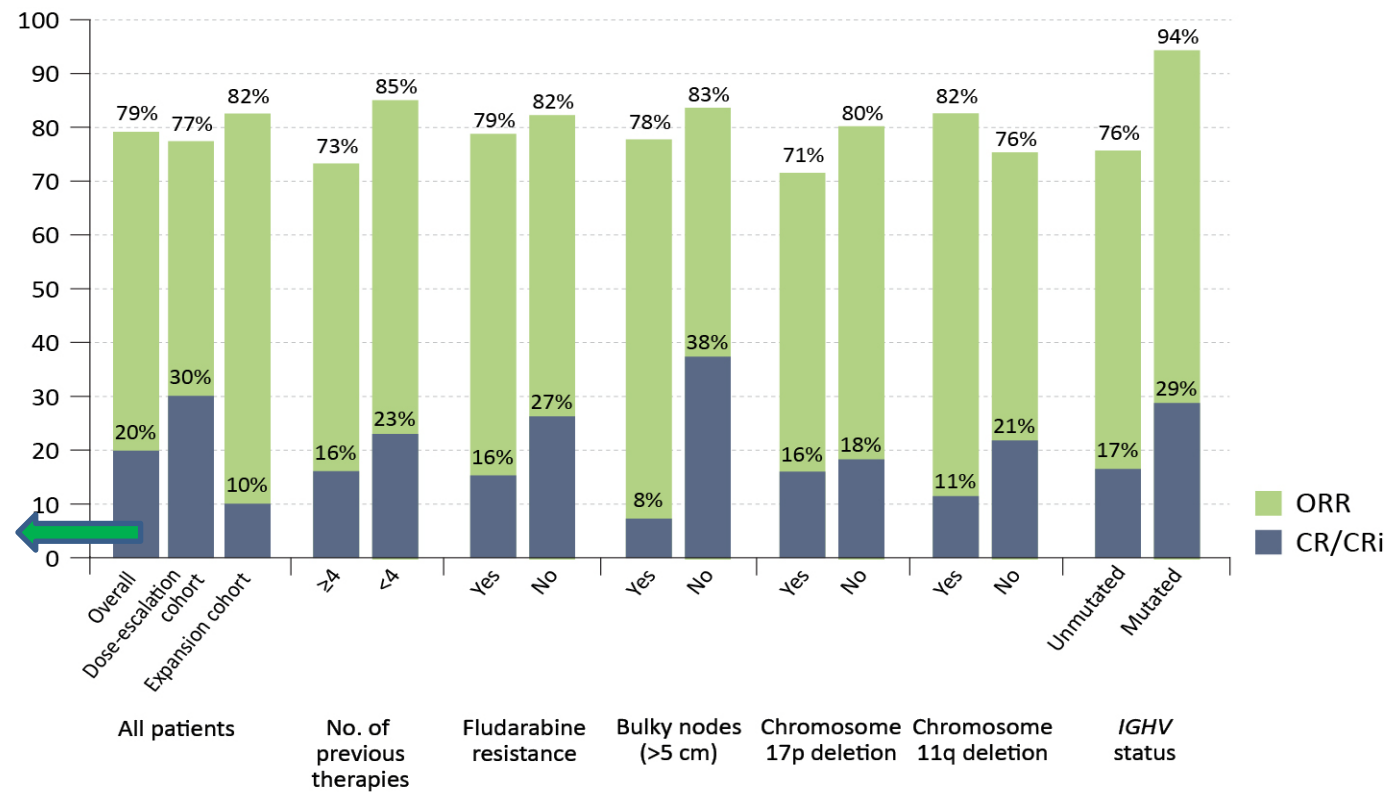
# Difference in efficacy (OS) of Idelalisib + rituximab maintained despite crossover in the extension study

- Follow-up including extension study



# Phase 1, open-label multicenter dose escalation trial of Venetoclax

35% of CR are MRD-  
(5% of all pts)

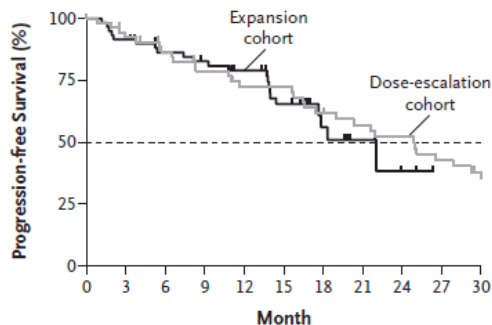


17/23 patients in CR/CRi had multicolor FC testing for **MRD** and 6 (**35%**) of those tested were negative by standard criteria (5% of all patients)

# Targeting BCL2 with Venetoclax in Relapsed Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

- median duration of PFS of 25 months (95% CI, 17 to 30) in the dose-escalation cohort
- median follow-up duration in the expansion cohort , 17 months; range, <1 to 26).  
estimated rate of progression-free survival at 15 months 66% (95% CI, 51 to 77)

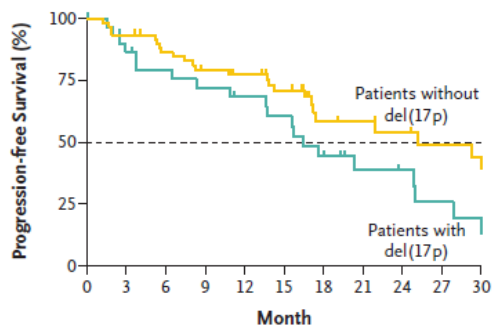
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No. at Risk

|                        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Expansion cohort       | 60 | 55 | 48 | 45 | 40 | 29 | 10 | 5  | 2  |
| Dose-escalation cohort | 56 | 49 | 44 | 39 | 34 | 34 | 27 | 24 | 22 |

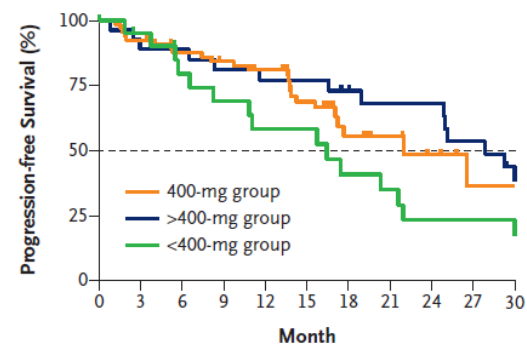
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No. at Risk

|                           |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| Patients without del(17p) | 60 | 56 | 49 | 44 | 39 | 33 | 16 | 14 | 12 | 10 | 9 |
| Patients with del(17p)    | 31 | 31 | 25 | 22 | 18 | 15 | 11 | 7  | 6  | 4  | 3 |

C



No. at Risk

|               |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |   |
|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| 400-mg group  | 67 | 61 | 54 | 50 | 45 | 34 | 14 | 9  | 6  | 3  | 3 |
| >400-mg group | 27 | 24 | 23 | 21 | 19 | 19 | 16 | 14 | 14 | 11 | 8 |
| <400-mg group | 22 | 19 | 15 | 13 | 10 | 10 | 7  | 5  | 4  | 4  | 4 |



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683 CLL pts treated with kinase inhibitors (KIs) drawn from 9 large US cancer centers and the Connect CLL Registry

621 ibrutinib

62 idelalisib

At a median follow-up of 17 months 47% of patients discontinued their first KI

42% (n. 258 pts) in the ibrutinib cohort

94% (n. 58 pts) in the idelalisib cohort

Toxicity accounted for ≈50% of all discontinuations

## 5 Most Common Toxicities as a Reason for Discontinuation *“Kinase Inhibitor Intolerant” patients (median f.u. 17 months)*

683 CLL pts treated with kinase inhibitors (KIs) drawn from  
9 large US cancer centers and the Connect CLL Registry

| <b>Ibrutinib</b><br>(n. 258 pts = 42% of the cohort) |                                                                                    | <b>Idelalisib</b><br>(n. 58 pts = 94% of the cohort) |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Atrial fibrillation (18 pts)                         |  | Pneumonitis (7 pts)                                  |
| Infection (13 pts)                                   |                                                                                    | Diarrhea/Colitis (6 pts)                             |
| Pneumonitis (12 pts)                                 |                                                                                    | Rash (5 pts)                                         |
| Bleeding (11pts)                                     |                                                                                    | Transaminitis (4 pts)                                |
| Arthralgia ( 9 pts)                                  |                                                                                    | Infection (2 pts)                                    |

# Integrated Safety Analysis of Venetoclax Monotherapy in CLL

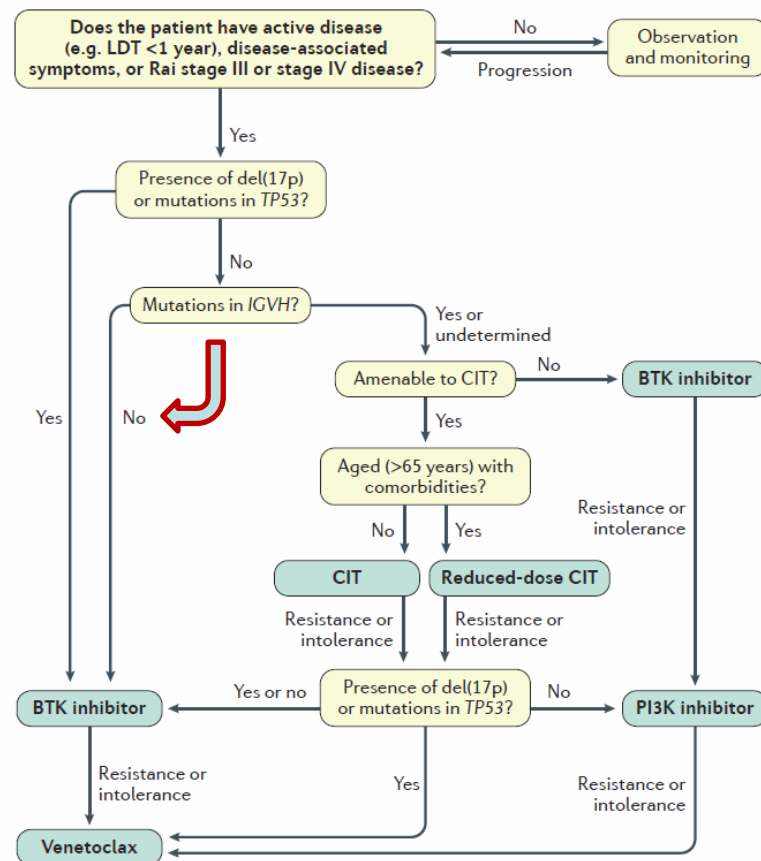
| Event, n (%)                                  | All Patients N=296 | Pts with del(17p) n=188 | BCRi Failures (n=94) |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Any Grade AE                                  | 293 (99)           | 185 (98)                | 94 (100)             |
| Common AEs, all Grades (≥20% of all patients) |                    |                         |                      |
| Neutropenia                                   | 120 (41)           | 75 (40)                 | 33 (35)              |
| Diarrhea                                      | 115 (39)           | 71 (38)                 | 33 (35)              |
| Nausea                                        | 106 (36)           | 60 (32)                 | 30 (32)              |
| Anemia                                        | 87 (29)            | 52 (28)                 | 35 (37)              |
| Fatigue                                       | 77 (26)            | 44 (23)                 | 26 (27)              |
| Upper respiratory tract infection             | 68 (23)            | 35 (19)                 | 10 (11)              |
| Grade 3/4 AEs                                 | 225 (76)           | 142 (76)                | 67 (71)              |
| Common Grade 3/4 AEs (≥10% of all patients)   |                    |                         |                      |
| Neutropenia                                   | 110 (37)           | 69 (37)                 | 29 (31)              |
| Anemia                                        | 45 (15)            | 27 (14)                 | 18 (19)              |
| Thrombocytopenia                              | 40 (14)            | 29 (15)                 | 14 (15)              |
| AEs Leading to <sup>a</sup>                   |                    |                         |                      |
| Discontinuation                               | 27 (9)             | 20 (11)                 | 7 (7)                |
| Interruption of venetoclax                    | 103 (25)           | 58 (31)                 | 27 (29)              |
| Venetoclax dose adjustment                    | 35 (12)            | 24 (13)                 | 8 (9)                |
| Death                                         | 12 (4)             | 9 (5)                   | 7 (7)                |

<sup>a</sup>Excludes those due to disease progression.

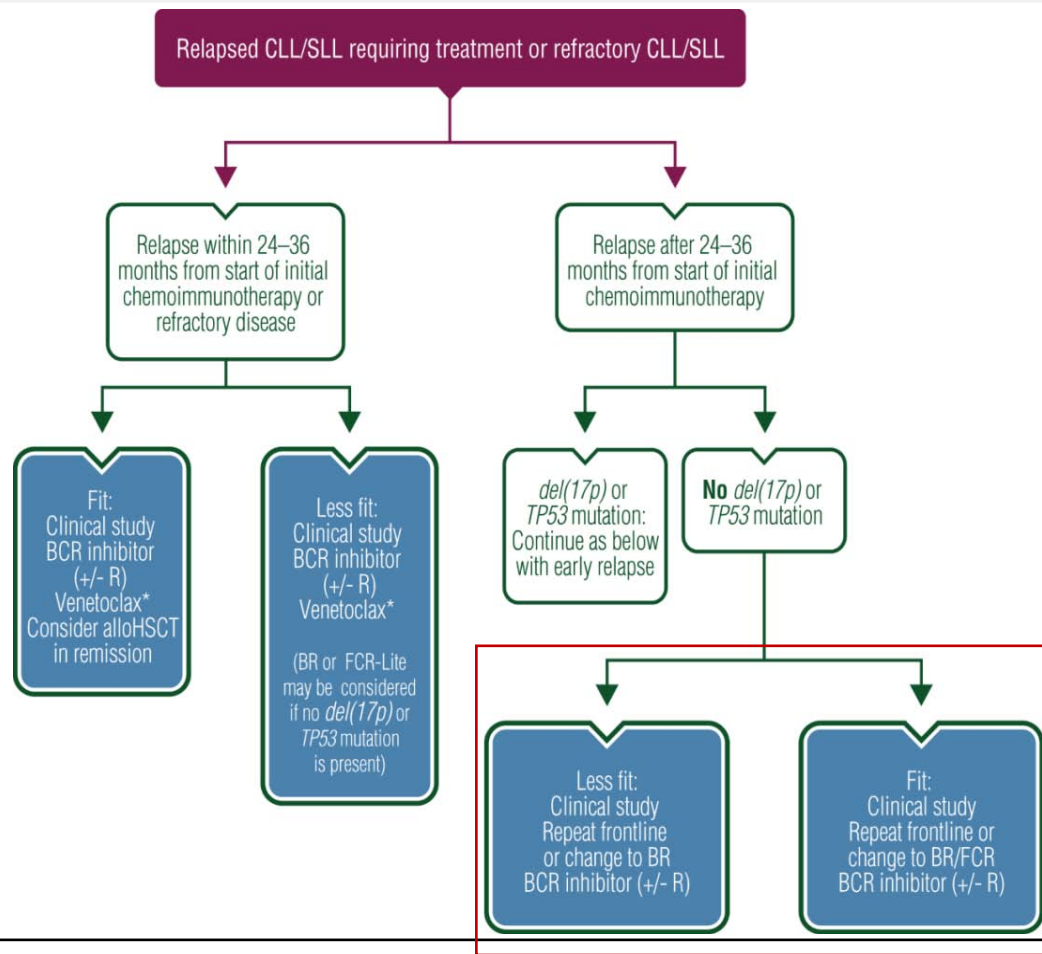
# Different views on first line treatment of CLL

|                  | No <i>TP53</i> aberration                                                                                                 | <i>TP53</i> aberration                                                                                                               |
|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Physically fit   | Fludarabine plus cyclophosphamide plus rituximab (age ≤65 years); or bendamustine plus rituximab (age >65 years)          | Ibrutinib or idelalisib plus rituximab or venetoclax (if ibrutinib therapy is not suitable because of comorbidities or comedication) |
| Physically unfit | Chlorambucil plus obinutuzumab; or chlorambucil plus ofatumumab; or chlorambucil plus rituximab; or ibrutinib monotherapy | Ibrutinib or idelalisib plus rituximab or venetoclax (if ibrutinib is not suitable because of comorbidities or comedication)         |

*Table 2: First-line treatment of chronic lymphocytic leukaemia in physically fit and physically unfit patients*



# ESMO Guidelines For R/R CLL



From: Appendix 4: Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia: eUpdate published online 27 June 2017 ([www.esmo.org/Guidelines/Haematological-Malignancies](http://www.esmo.org/Guidelines/Haematological-Malignancies))

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## Different views on first salvage treatment of CLL

|                                                                                                                         | Standard therapy                                                            | Alternative therapies                                                               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Refractory or progression within 3 years</b>                                                                         |                                                                             |                                                                                     |
| Physically fit                                                                                                          | Ibrutinib possibly followed by allogeneic haemopoietic stem-cell transplant | Idelalisib plus rituximab; venetoclax; lenalidomide                                 |
| Physically unfit                                                                                                        | Change therapy                                                              | Ibrutinib; idelalisib plus rituximab; venetoclax; lenalidomide; CD20 antibody alone |
| <b>Progression after 3 years</b>                                                                                        |                                                                             |                                                                                     |
| All fitness levels                                                                                                      | Repeat front-line therapy                                                   | Change to another chemoimmunotherapy; ibrutinib; idelalisib plus rituximab          |
| <b>Table 3: Second-line treatment of chronic lymphocytic leukaemia, by response to first-line treatment and fitness</b> |                                                                             |                                                                                     |

## Relapsed/Refractory Therapy

Frail patient with significant comorbidity or age  $\geq 65$  y and younger patients with significant comorbidities

- ▶ Ibrutinib<sup>c</sup> (category 1)
- ▶ Idelalisib + rituximab<sup>c,h</sup> (category 1)
- ▶ Idelalisib<sup>c</sup>
- ▶ Venetoclax<sup>i,j</sup>

- ▶ Chemoimmunotherapy
  - ◊ Bendamustine  $\pm$  rituximab
  - ◊ Reduced-dose FCR<sup>e,f</sup>
  - ◊ Reduced-dose PCR
  - ◊ High-dose methylprednisolone (HDMP) + rituximab
  - ◊ Rituximab + chlorambucil
  - ◊ Ibrutinib,<sup>c</sup> bendamustine, rituximab (category 3)
  - ◊ Idelalisib,<sup>c</sup> bendamustine, rituximab (category 3)
- ▶ Ofatumumab
- ▶ Obinutuzumab
- ▶ Lenalidomide<sup>k</sup>  $\pm$  rituximab
- ▶ Alemtuzumab<sup>l</sup>  $\pm$  rituximab
- ▶ Dose-dense rituximab (category 2B)

## CLL/SLL without del(17p)/TP53 mutation

### Relapsed/Refractory Therapy

- Age  $< 65$  y without significant comorbidities
  - ▶ Ibrutinib<sup>c</sup> (category 1)
  - ▶ Idelalisib + rituximab<sup>c,h</sup> (category 1)
  - ▶ Idelalisib<sup>c</sup>
  - ▶ Venetoclax<sup>i,j</sup>
- ▶ Chemoimmunotherapy
  - ◊ FCR<sup>e,f</sup>
  - ◊ FC + ofatumumab
  - ◊ PCR
  - ◊ Bendamustine  $\pm$  rituximab
  - ◊ RCHOP (rituximab, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine, prednisone)
  - ◊ OFAR<sup>e</sup> (oxaliplatin, fludarabine,<sup>f</sup> cytarabine, rituximab)
  - ◊ Ibrutinib,<sup>c</sup> bendamustine, rituximab (category 2B)
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- ▶ Ofatumumab
- ▶ Obinutuzumab
- ▶ Lenalidomide<sup>k</sup>  $\pm$  rituximab
- ▶ Alemtuzumab<sup>l</sup>  $\pm$  rituximab
- ▶ HDMP + rituximab

### Second-line Extended Dosing

- Ofatumumab maintenance (for complete or partial response after relapsed or refractory therapy) (category 2B)

See Suggested Regimens for CLL/SLL with del(17p) (3 of 5)

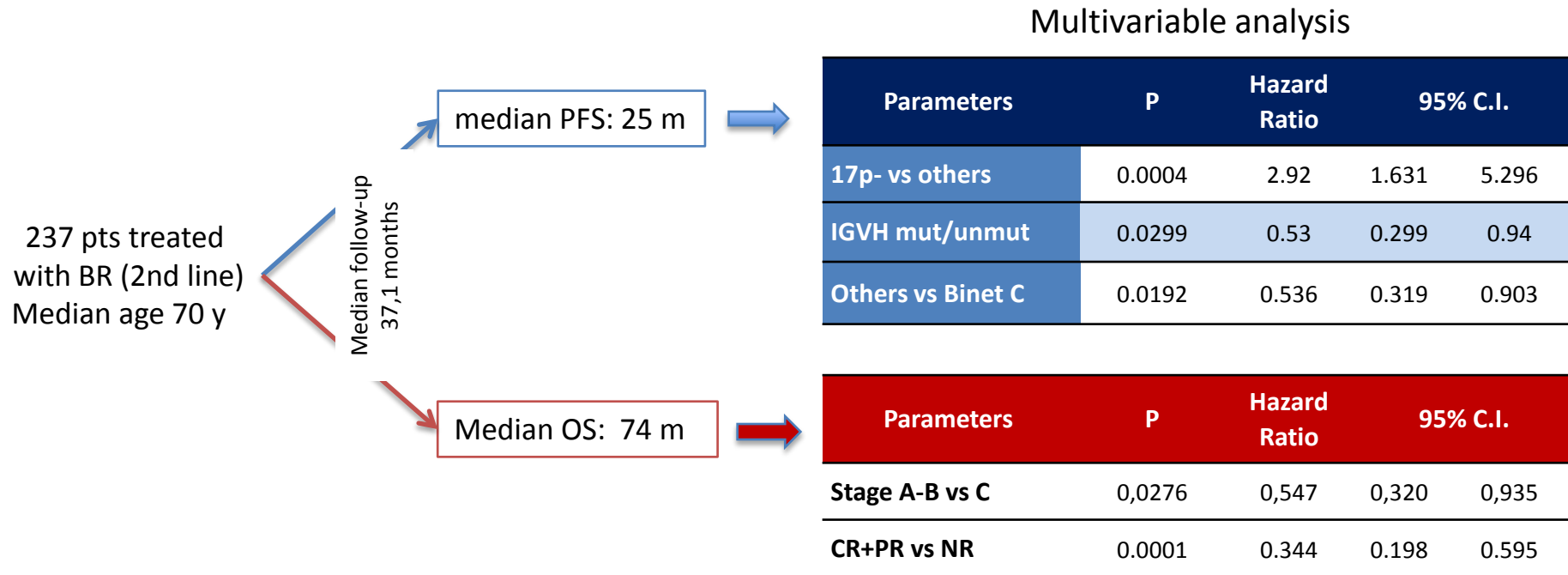
Consider prophylaxis for tumor lysis syndrome (See CSLL-C)

See monoclonal antibody and viral reactivation (See CSLL-C)

# Is there a role for chemoimmunotherapy as first salvage treatment in CLL?

## Efficacy of Bendamustine and rituximab in a real-world patient population

Efficacy of bendamustine and rituximab as first salvage treatment in CLL and indirect comparison with ibrutinib:  
a GIMEMA, ERIC and UK CLL FORUM study



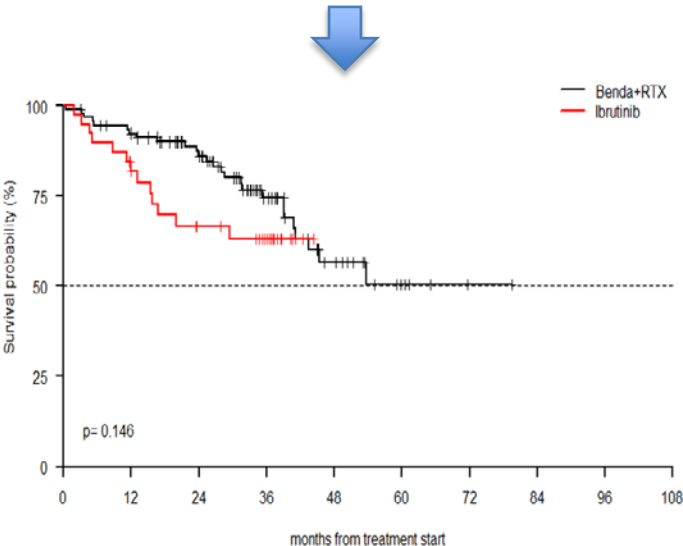
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## Indirect comparison of BR and ibrutinib in a real-world population

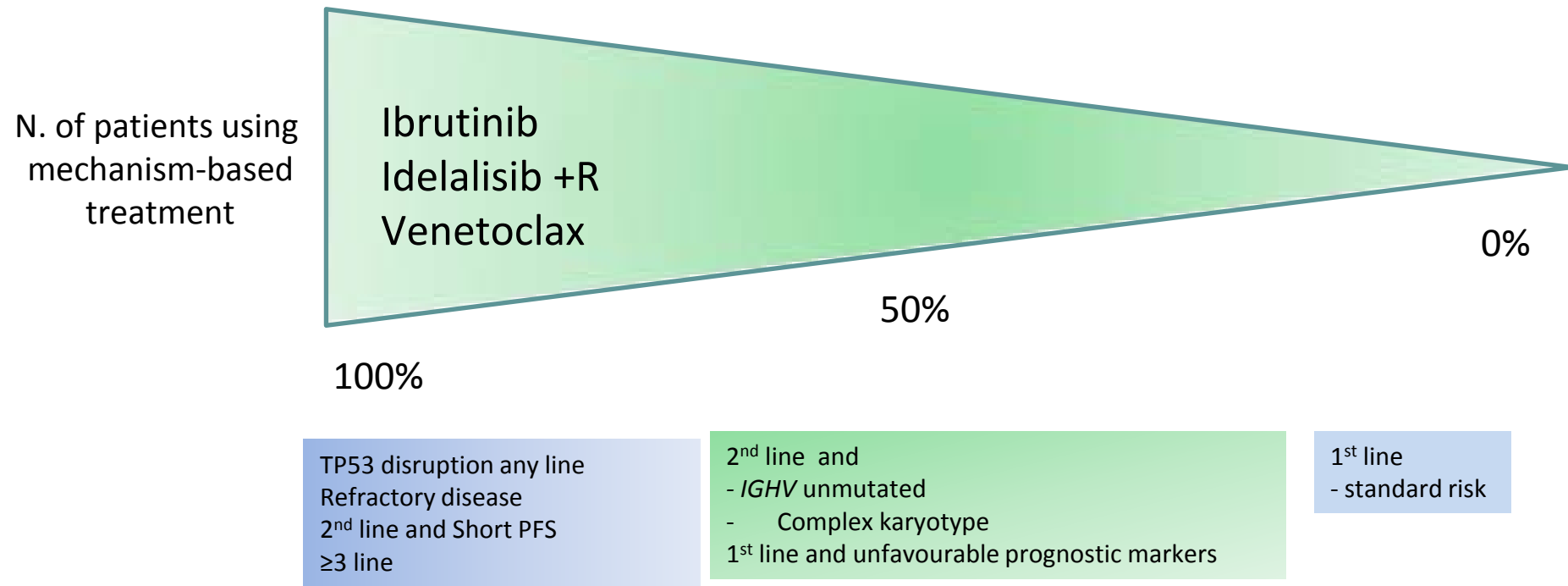
Baseline characteristics of the BR and the ibrutinib cohorts (UK + NPP GIMEMA) in patients treated with chemoimmunotherapy in first line

| Variable                                                     | BR (n=137)           | Ibrutinib (n=71)     | p     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------|
| Median age years (range)                                     | 68.2 (39.4-84.6)     | 67.1 (27.5-85.3)     | 0.603 |
| Age years (%) ≤65/>65                                        | 39 (34.5)/74 (65.5)  | 27 (38.6)/43 (61.4)  | 0.691 |
| Gender (%) M/F                                               | 91 (66.4)/46 (33.6)  | 45 (63.4)/ 26 (36.6) | 0.777 |
| ECOG PS (%) 0-1/≥2                                           | 113 (91.9)/10 (8.1)  | 57 (82.6)/ 12 (17.4) | 0.090 |
| Months between 1 <sup>st</sup> line and 2 <sup>nd</sup> line |                      |                      |       |
| median (range)                                               | 30.60 (0.40, 79.40)  | 19.40 (1.80, 77.60)  | 0.001 |
| n. <36/≥36 (%)                                               | 81 (59.1)/56 (40.9)  | 54 (76.1)/17 (23.9)  | 0.023 |
| Response to 1 <sup>st</sup> line treatment (%) no/yes        | 28 (20.4)/109 (79.6) | 8 (15.1)/45 (84.9)   | 0.524 |
| IGHV (%)mutated/unmutated                                    | 17 (19.5)/70 (80.5)  | 8 (32.0)/17 (68.0)   | 0.295 |
| 17p- (%) yes/no                                              | 16 (14.8)/92 (85.2)  | 22 (36.1)/39 (63.9)  | 0.003 |

OS in 39 patients treated second-line with ibrutinib and in 92 patients treated with second line BR. All patients had intact 17p and received CIT front-line



# Risk-adapted options for treatment of CLL





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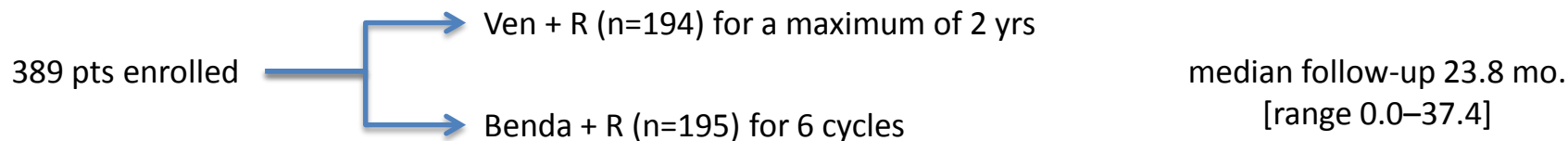
- **Established indications**
  - 1) trials
  - 2) real life
- **New combinations**



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# Venetoclax Plus Rituximab Is Superior to Bendamustine Plus Rituximab in Patients with Relapsed/Refractory CLL: Results from Pre-Planned Interim Analysis of the Randomized Phase 3 Murano Study



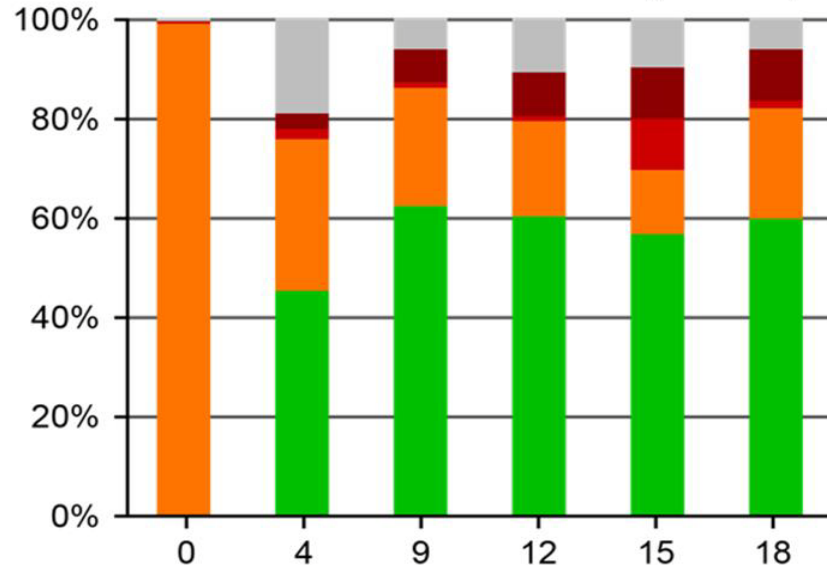
| Parameters             | Ven + R (n=194) | Benda + R (n=195) |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| age                    | 64.5 (28–83)    | 66.0 (22–85)      |
| 1 prior therapy        | 57.2%           | 60.0%             |
| Prior purine analog    | 81%             | 81%               |
| Prior rituximab        | 78%             | 76%               |
| fludarabine refractory | 14.1%           | 15.5%             |
| del(17p)               | 26.6%           | 27.2%             |
| ORR                    | 93,3%           | 67,7%             |
| CR/Cri*                | 26,8%*          | 8,2%              |
| MRD-ve PB              | 83.5%           | 23.1%             |

\*p<0.0001

# High Peripheral Blood MRD Negativity Rate Maintained Over Time for VenR vs. BR

■ Negative 
 ■ Assay positive 
 ■ Assay failure 
 ■ PD/death/withdrew 
 ■ Sample missing

**Venetoclax + Rituximab (N=194)**



MRD negative,  
n (%)

88  
(45)

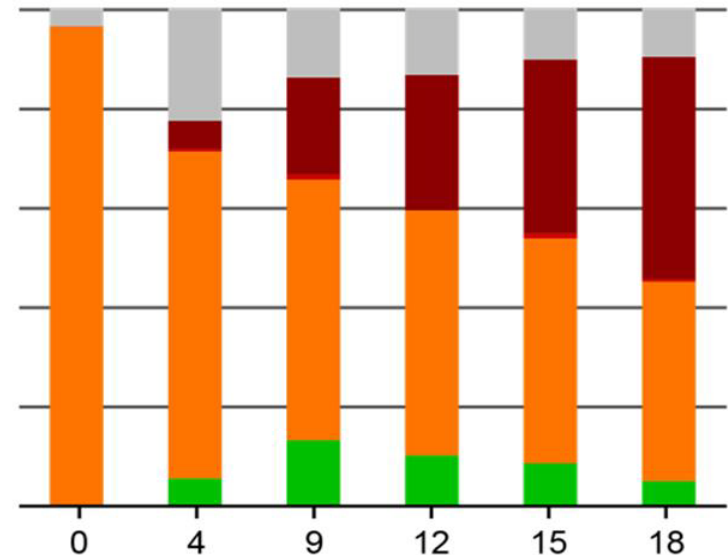
121  
(62)

117  
(60)

110  
(57)

116  
(60)

**Bendamustine + Rituximab (N=195)**



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(6)

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(13)

20  
(10)

17  
(9)

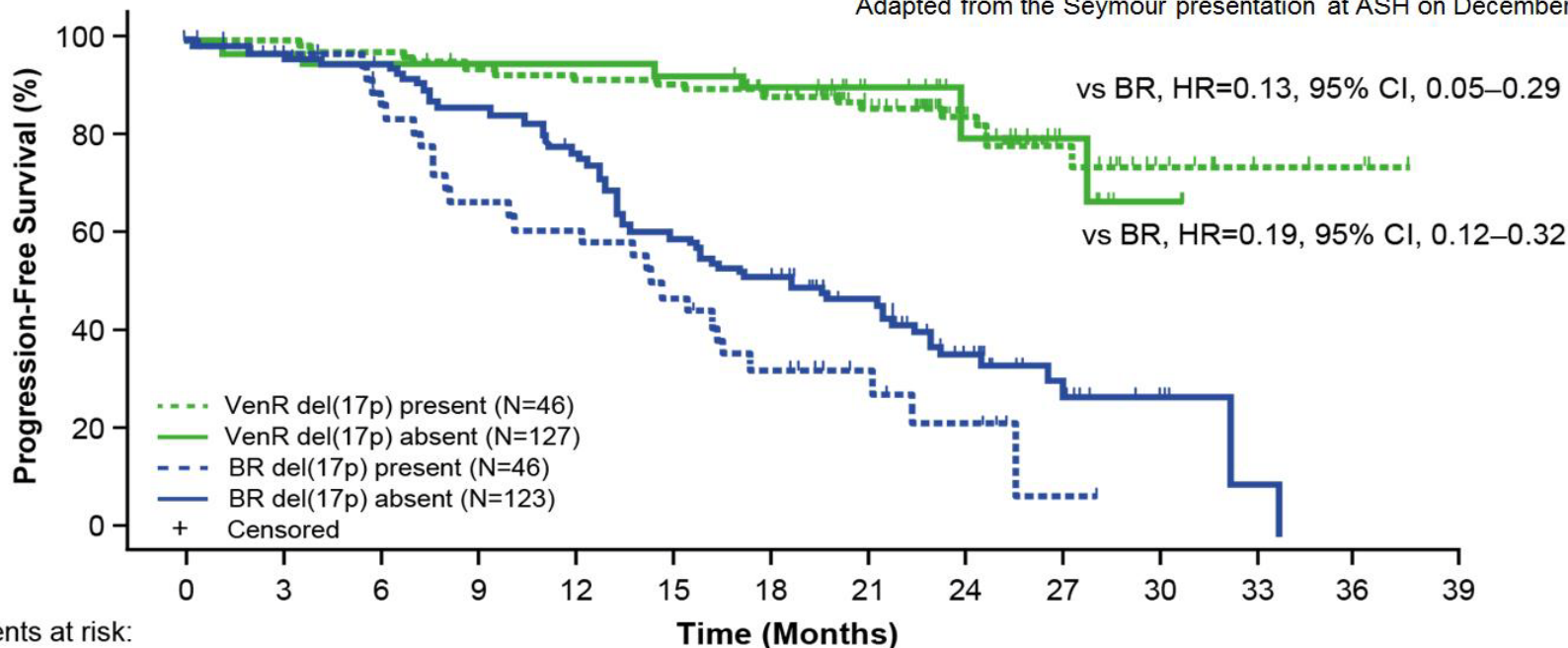
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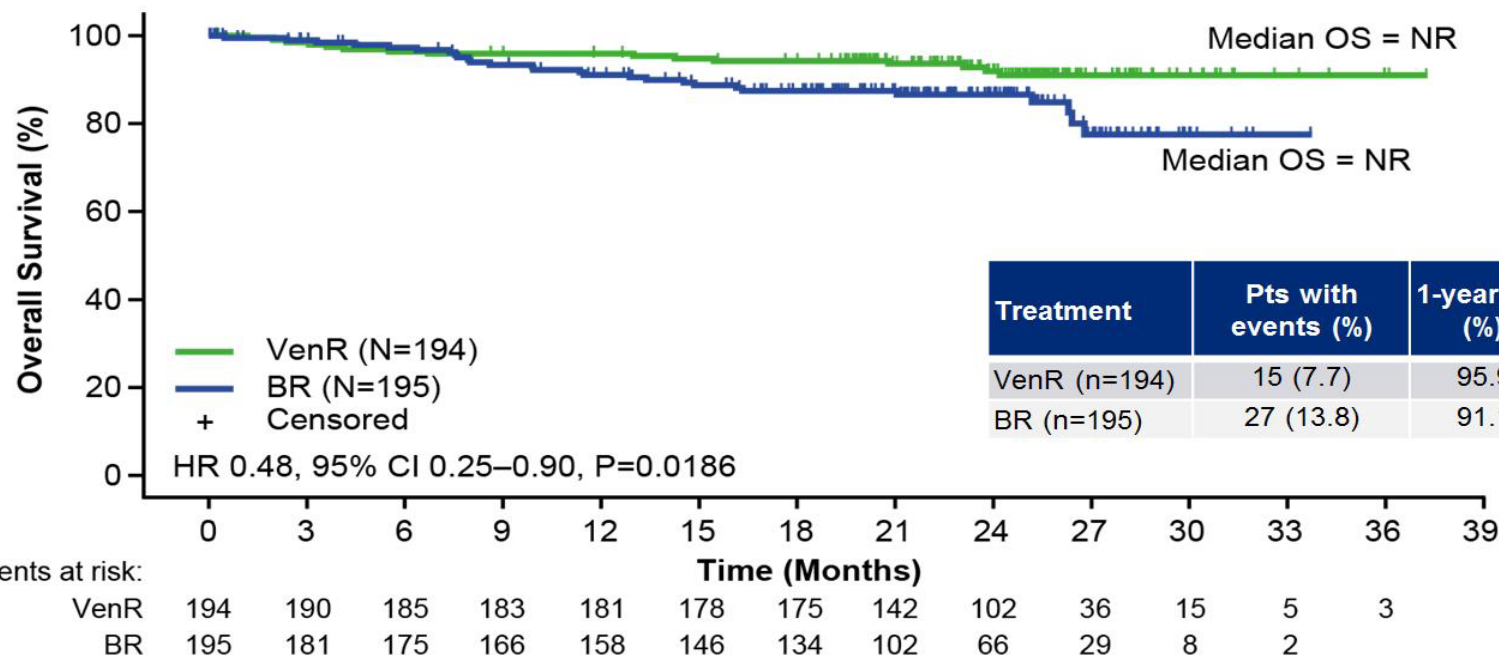
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# Investigator-assessed PFS Superior for VenR vs. BR Among Patients With and Without del(17p)

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# Clinically Meaningful Improvement in Overall Survival for VenR vs. BR



Descriptive p-values  
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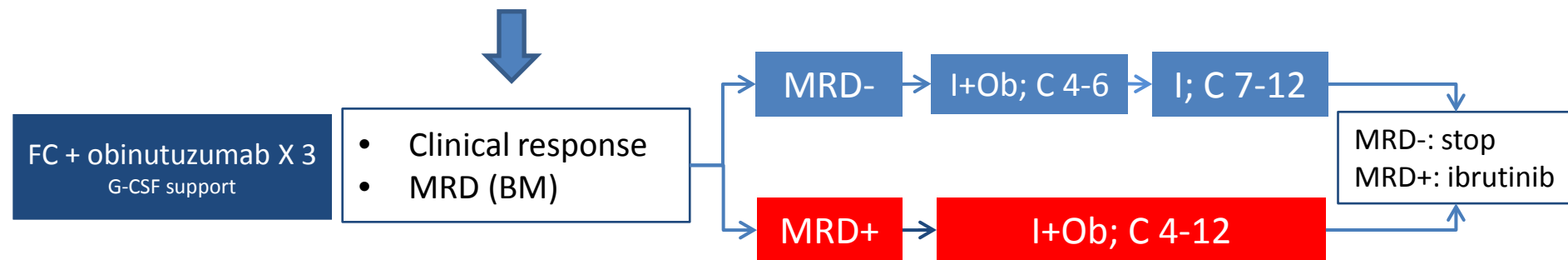
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## New combinations for First line treatment of CLL

|            |                        |                                                |
|------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Ibrutinib  |                        |                                                |
|            | with chemo             | with FCR                                       |
|            |                        | with bendamustine                              |
|            | chemo sparing strategy | with obinutuzumab/ofatumumab<br>with rituximab |
| Venetoclax | chemo sparing strategy | with obinutuzumab                              |
|            |                        | with ibrutinib                                 |

# Ibrutinib, Fludarabine, Cyclophosphamide, and Obinutuzumab (GA101) (iFCG) for First-Line Treatment of Patients with CLL with **Mutated IGHV** and **without TP53 aberrations**



## Eligibility criteria

- age  $\geq 18$ ,
- IGHV-M,
- no del(17p)/TP53 mutation

## Primary endpoint

CR/CRi and  
undetectable BM MRD after 3 courses of iFCG  
(4-color flow-cytometry, sensitivity  $10^{-4}$ )

# iFCG for First-Line Treatment of Patients with CLL with Mutated IGHV and without TP53 abn

## Efficacy in 32 patients (median follow-up 10.9 months)

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|----------------------|------------------------------|---------|
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| Gender, M            | 26 (81)                      |         |
| FISH                 | del(13q)                     | 23 (72) |
|                      | Trisomy 12                   | 6 (19)  |
|                      | Negative                     | 3 (9)   |
| WBC, K/ $\mu$ L      | 58.7 [2.4-224]               |         |
| Platelet, K/ $\mu$ L | 116 [62-292]                 |         |
| Hemoglobin, g/dL     | 12.1 [8.5-15.6]              |         |
| B2M, mg/L            | 2.6 [1.4-8.1]                |         |
| Karyotype (n=27)     | Diploid                      | 17 (63) |
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|                      | Trisomy 12                   | 4 (15)  |

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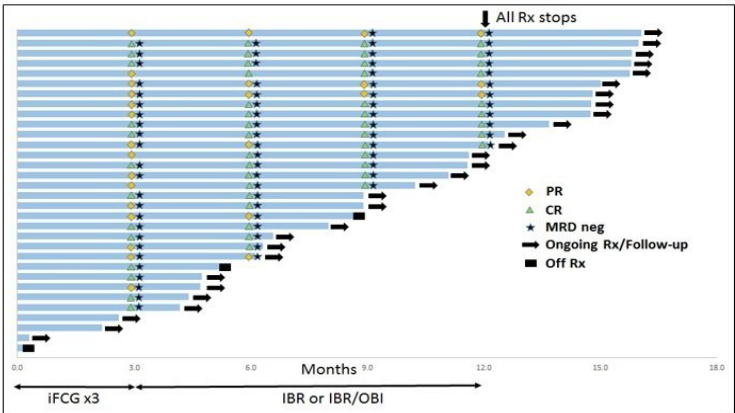


Figure 2

The historical rate of C3 undetectable BM MRD with FCR in IGHV-M pts was 26% (Strati, Blood 2014)

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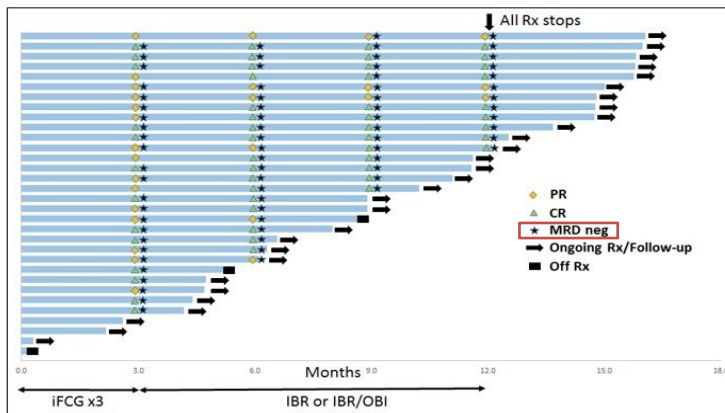
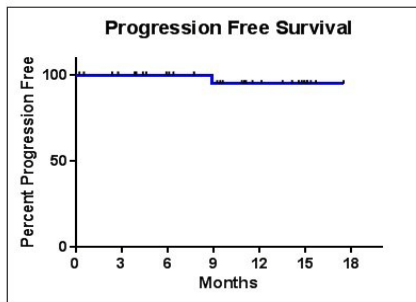


Figure 2



iFCG for First-Line Treatment of Patients with CLL with Mutated IGHV and without TP53 abn  
Toxicity in 32 patients (**median follow-up 10.9 months**)

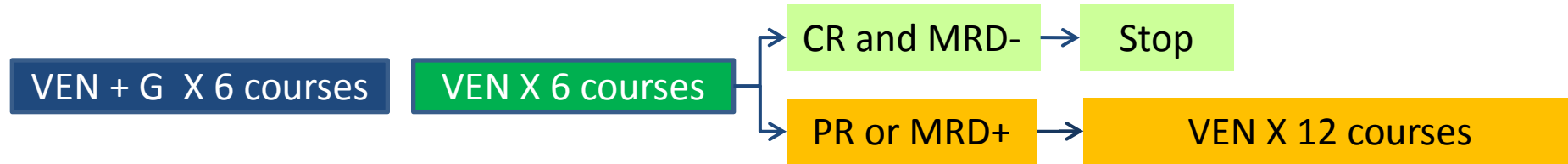
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| AE ( <b>32 pts</b> )             | % of the patients (or n. of patients) |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| G3-4 neutropenia                 | 68% (G-CSF support mandatory)         |
| G3-4 thrombocytopenia            | 48%                                   |
| Atrial fib                       | 2 patients                            |
| G3 ALT elevation                 | 3 patients                            |
| Dose reductions                  |                                       |
| - FC                             | 55%                                   |
| - ibrutinib                      | 19%                                   |
| Premature discontinuation        |                                       |
| - G3 IRR and G4 thrombocytopenia | 1 patient                             |
| - Death*                         | 1 patient                             |

\*This was a 26 year old patient with no cardiac history who developed new onset congestive heart failure during cycle 9 of treatment with ibrutinib and obinutuzumab.

## Safety, Efficacy and MRD Negativity of a Combination of Venetoclax and Obinutuzumab in Patients with Previously Untreated CLL – Results from a Phase 1b Study (GP28331)

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### Eligibility criteria

- 1L CLL
- ECOG PS  $\leq 1$ ,
- adequate organ function
- need of treatment

### Endpoints

- safety and tolerability
- efficacy
- MRD negativity (PB and BM)

# Efficacy and Safety of a Combination of Venetoclax and Obinutuzumab in Patients with Previously Untreated CLL – Results from a Phase 1b Study (GP28331)

- 32 1L pts enrolled and followed for  $\geq 9$  mo.
- Median age 63.0 y (range 47.0–73.0)
- 5 pts (15%) 17p- / 6 pts (18%) 11q-
- **Median time on study: 11.3 mo (10.0–23.0)**

- No discontinuations of treatment due to AEs
- No clinical TLS
- No treatment-related death
- No high-grade infusion related reactions

Table 1. Summary of AEs

| Adverse Events                                      | Total (N=32) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| AEs of any grade in $\geq 25\%$ of total pts, n (%) |              |
| Any infectious AE                                   | 22 (68.8)    |
| Nausea                                              | 21 (65.6)    |
| Infusion-related reaction*                          | 18 (56.3)    |
| Diarrhea                                            | 16 (50)      |
| Neutropenia                                         | 17 (53.1)    |
| Pyrexia                                             | 15 (46.9)    |
| Fatigue                                             | 14 (43.8)    |
| Headache                                            | 12 (37.5)    |
| Chills                                              | 11 (34.4)    |
| Thrombocytopenia                                    | 11 (34.4)    |
| Vomiting                                            | 11 (34.4)    |
| Anemia                                              | 10 (31.3)    |
| Cough                                               | 10 (31.3)    |
| Flushing                                            | 10 (31.3)    |
| Dyspnea                                             | 9 (28.1)     |
| Constipation                                        | 8 (25)       |
| Grade 3–4 AEs occurring in $\geq 2$ total pts       |              |
| Neutropenia                                         | 13 (40.6)    |
| Febrile neutropenia                                 | 4 (12.5)     |
| Thrombocytopenia                                    | 4 (12.5)     |
| Anemia                                              | 3 (9.4)      |

\*Signs and symptoms of infusion-related reactions could be captured as separate AEs

## Response, PB / BM negativity rates and PFS

- Overall response rate 100%
- **CR/CRi 56.3%**
- **PFS 100% at 1 yr**
- 2 pts (6.3%) progressed at d 437 and d 451  
Both had del(17p)  
Both maintained BM MRD positivity at 1 yr

| PB MRD- (ITT)                     | N. of patients (%) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Best MRD-                         | 32/32 (100%)*      |
| ≥3 mo after last G                | 27/32 (84%)**      |
| ≥9 mo after last G                | 10/12 (83%)        |
| BM MRD- (ITT)                     | 20/32 (62,5%***)   |
| BM MRD-<br>(in samples available) | 20/27 (74)         |

MRD negativity (<1 CLL cell detectable per 10,000 leukocytes)  
MRD negativity was assessed by 5-color flow cytometry

\*2 pts converted to MRD+ 3 mo after last G dose; \*\* in 5 pts the PB sample was NA

\*\*\* in 5 pts the BM sample was NA

## Combination between venetoclax and ibrutinib in treatment-naïve CLL (oral communications)

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| Abs N. | Author/Centre   | Combination                             | N. Of patients/<br>median<br>age (y) | Inclusion criteria                 | Efficacy                   | Toxicity                         |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 431    | Rogers KA (OSU) | Obinutuzumab, Ibrutinib, and Venetoclax | 25/59y                               | ECOG PS $\leq 1$<br>CrCl $\geq 50$ | CR+Cri 50%<br>MRD-(BM) 58% | As expected                      |
| 429    | Jain N (MDACC)  | Venetoclax and Ibrutinib                | 39/65y                               | ECOG PS $\leq 2$<br>CrCl $> 50$    | 100% ORR                   | As expected<br>5 pts off therapy |

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|     |                |                          |        |                                |          |                                  |
|-----|----------------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|
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Ibrutinib continuous (primary endpoint CR/Cri)

VEN X 2 yrs



Month 0



Month 3

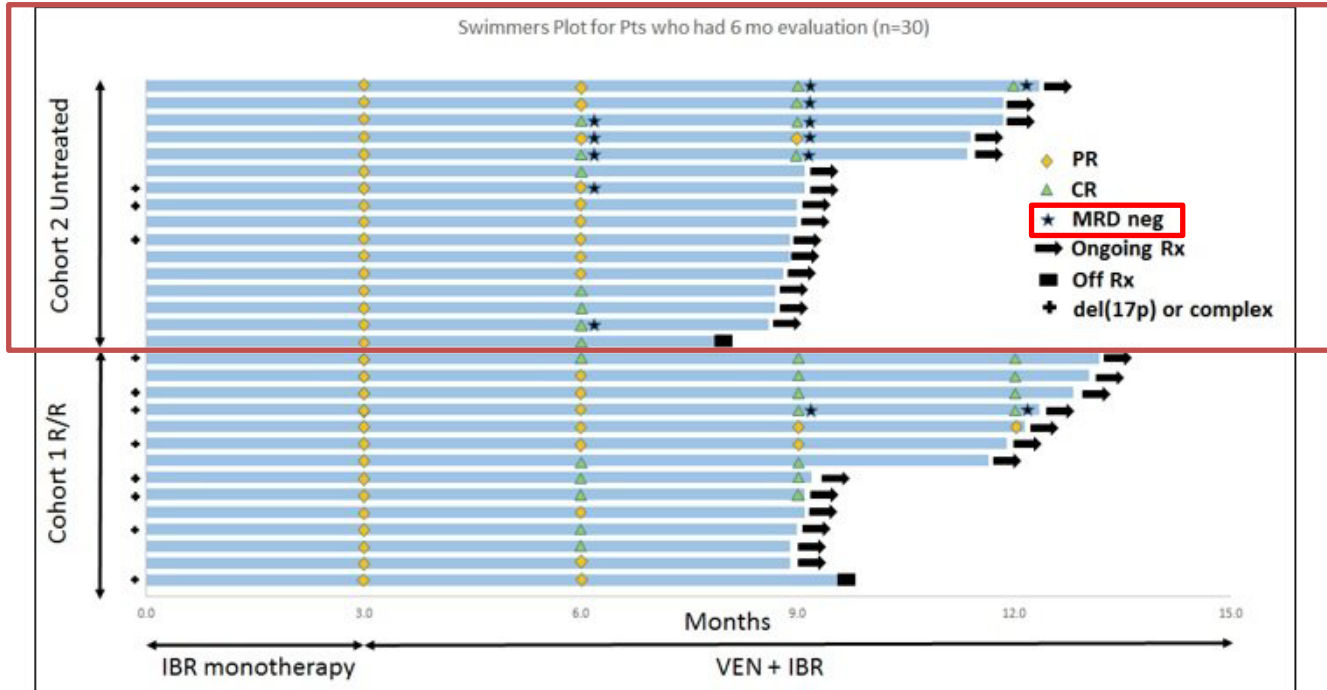


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## 16 TREATMENT-NAIVE PATIENTS WHO COMPLETED 6 MO EVALUATION

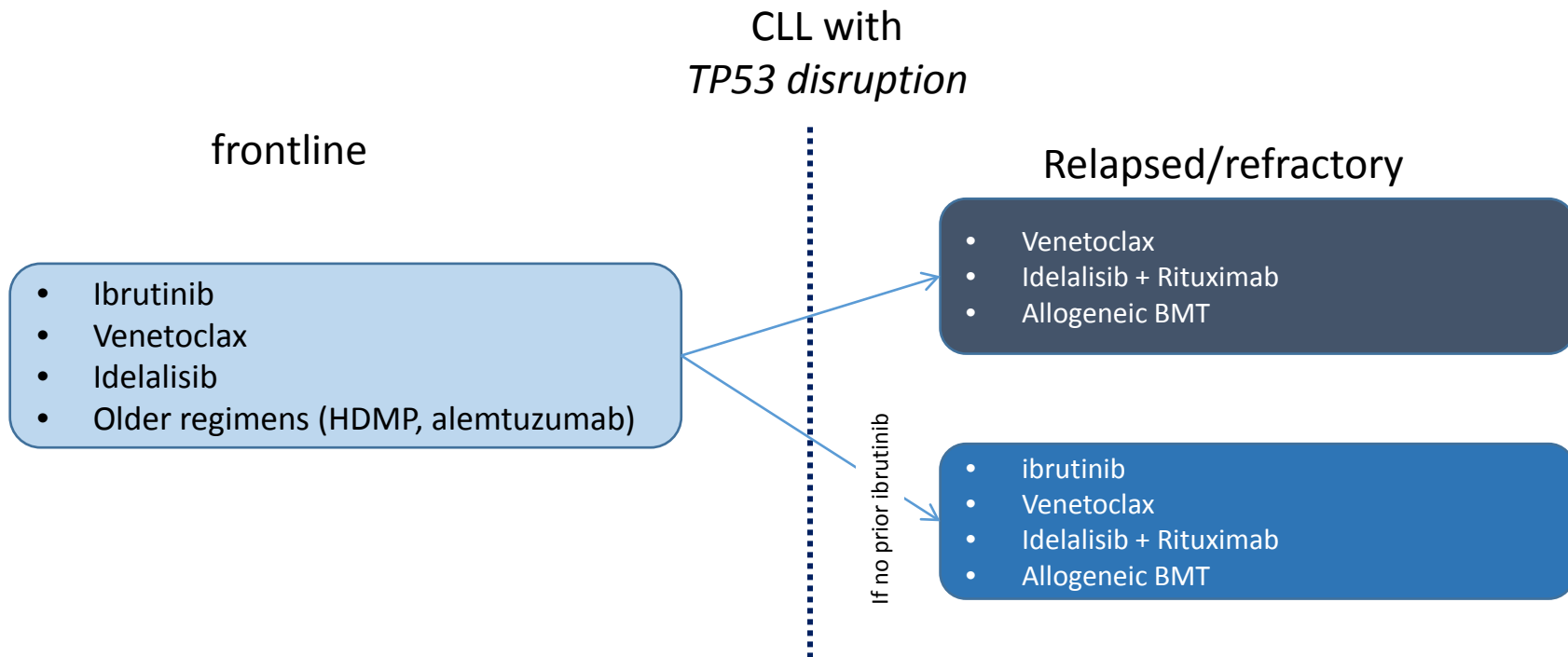
- 15/16 on treatment
- 9/16 CR
- 7/16 MRD negative

**Figure**



# How should we sequence and combine novel therapies in CLL?

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